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1. Elbasan is connected with Lamboti (located about 7 1/2 miles to the east) by a 13-foot wide macadamized road; the road continues eastward as far as the Yugoslav border, near Lake Ohrid. Approximately two miles east of Lamboti a newly-made, approximately 13-foot wide, macadamized road branches off to the southeast; it crosses the 50-foot wide Shkumbi River valley and reaches Toki about 2 1/2 miles off the main road to Ohrid. Toki consists of about 40 one-story clay cottages. The oil field begins approximately 4,000 feet west-southwest from the western outskirts of Toki (see sketch).
2. The area of the oil field is somewhat in the shape of a trapezium, the sides of which are 2 miles, 1 1/2 mile, 1.2 mile and 1 mile long.
3. In August 1943, there were ten wooden derricks 32 feet in height; seven additional wells have been sunk. Derricks Nos. 1, 2 and 3 were set up in August 1943.
4. In the northeastern corner there are the following installations:
 - Two-story power station, about 200 x 100 feet (D in sketch)
 - Wooden workshops, about 100 x 50 feet (E in sketch)
 - Preliminary purification installation, approximately 65 x 33 feet (A in sketch)
 - Three oil-collecting tanks, about 40 feet high, 26 feet in diameter (B in sketch)
 - Nine tanks for oil shipments approximately 40 feet high, 30 feet in diameter (C in sketch).
5. Oil flows from wells No. 2 and No. 10 without pumping installations. Each of the remaining eight oil-containing wells are equipped with a 300 HP Diesel pump, system "Putilov". All drill holes of the oil field (as shown in the sketch) are interconnected with pressure pipes 6 inches or 9 inches in diameter. The average depth of drill holes in the Toki oil field is between 100 and 260 feet. Only well No. 17 is 430 feet deep.
6. The produced oil is pressed with five atmospheric gauges through the filter of the preliminary purification plant and it then flows into the collecting tanks, where it remains for four days; it is then refilled into tanks which

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was tapped for oil shipments. The oil is filled from these tanks through suction pipes into barrels, which are shipped by truck. According to the truck drivers, these barrels are taken to Durres. The total daily output is said to be between 90 and 100 tons. Every two weeks the collecting tanks are cleaned. During this time a sedimentary dirt layer of 18 inches settles regularly in the tank.

approximately 100 Albanian and Italian civilian convicts (Fascist), 140 German PWs, 80 Albanian civilians and 20 Russian experts, constitute the work force. The manager of the state plant is Andar Beg; the technical manager is chief engineer Bokayev (a Soviet).

The oil used for the Diesel engines, drilling machines, purification installation, motor vehicles, and the fuel oil used for forbidden black-market sales to the population, averages between 30 and 35 tons daily.

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